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Attorney Docket No.: YCMIP002

First Named Inventor: Lukas Girling



**UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL (37 CFR. § 1.53(b))**  
(Regular application claiming priority of a provisional)

Commissioner for Patents  
Box Patent Application  
Washington, DC 20231

**For:** This is a request for filing a patent application under 37 CFR. § 1.53(b) in the name of inventors:  
**Lukas Girling and Scott S. Snibbe**

**For: METHODS AND SYSTEMS FOR A CHARACTER MOTION ANIMATION TOOL**

**Assigned to: SONAMO COLLABORATIVE MEDIA, INC.**

Priority of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/205,608 filed on May 18, 2000 is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e).

**Application Elements:**

- ☒ **19** Pages of Specification, Claims and Abstract
- ☒ **5** Sheets of informal Drawings
- ☐ Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney
- ☐ Separate Declaration

**Accompanying Application Parts:**

- ☒ Do not publish this application. Nonpublication Request is attached.
- ☐ Assignment and Assignment Recordation Cover Sheet (recording fee of \$40.00 enclosed)
- ☐ Separate Power of Attorney by Assignee
- ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement by Assignee
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement with Form PTO-1449
- ☐ Copies of IDS Citations

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Claim For Foreign Priority

- ☐ Priority of \_\_\_\_\_ Application No. \_\_\_\_\_ filed on \_\_\_\_\_  
is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119.  
☐ The certified copy is enclosed. ☐ The certified copy will follow.
- ☐ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:  
“This application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. \_\_\_\_\_  
filed on \_\_\_\_\_, the disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference.”

Fee Calculation (37 CFR § 1.16)

- ☒ Applicant is entitled to Small Entity Status under 37 C.F.R. §1.27.

	(Col. 1) Total Claims		(Col. 2) Claims	(Col. 3) Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
TOTAL	14	MINUS	20	= 0	x 18	0
INDEP.	2	MINUS	3	= 0	x 80	0
[ ] First presentation of multiple dependent claim					\$270	0
Basic Filing Fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.16(a)					\$710	710.00
TOTAL						710.00
SMALL ENTITY 50% FILING FEE REDUCTION (if applicable)						355.00

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- ☐ Check No. \_\_\_\_\_ in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed.
- ☒ The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees beyond the amount enclosed which may be required, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 500388 (Order No. YCMIP002).

General Authorization for Petition for Extension of Time (37 CFR §1.136)

- ☒ Applicants hereby make and generally authorize any Petitions for Extensions of Time as may be needed for any subsequent filings. The Commissioner is also authorized to charge any extension fees under 37 CFR §1.17 as may be needed to Deposit Account No. 500388 (Order No. YCMIP002).



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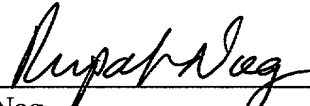
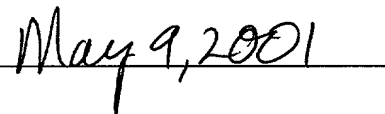
**NONPUBLICATION REQUEST AND CERTIFICATION  
(35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i))**

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Sir:

I hereby certify that the invention disclosed in the attached application has not and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral agreement, that requires publication at eighteen (18) months after filing. I hereby request that the attached application **NOT** be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b).

Date:

  
Rupak Nag

Registration No. 37,493

**NOTE:**

This request must be signed in compliance with 37 CFR 1.33(b) and submitted with the application upon filing.

Applicant may rescind this nonpublication request at any time. If applicant rescinds a request that an application not be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b), the application will be scheduled for publication at eighteen months from the earliest claimed filing date for which a benefit is claimed.

If applicant subsequently files an application directed to the invention disclosed in the attached application in another country, or under a multilateral international agreement, that requires publication of applications, eighteen months after filing, the applicant **must** notify the United States Patent and Trademark Office of such filing within forty-five (45) days after the date of the filing of such foreign of international application. Failure to do so will result in abandonment of this application (35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(iii)).